



# ALUMNI NEWS

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## Achievement Award Winners

The BCIT Alumni Association has honoured three outstanding alumni with the Alumni Achievement Award. This prestigious award was designed to recognize BCIT graduates who have distinguished themselves in their field of technology or have made a substantial contribution to the well-being of the community.

The first recipient of the BCIT Alumni Achievement Award was George Madden. He began his post-secondary education at UBC in the Faculty of Commerce. There he got involved with the radio station and as a result of that activity decided he did not want to be an accountant. George made the move from 'the other institution' over to BCIT. Two years of the broadcast communication program confirmed the well-known fact that BCIT graduates work.

After graduating from BCIT, George Madden went to work at CJOR Radio and then moved over to CKNW. He worked in the news operations in both locations. From 1978 to 1981 he was the executive assistant to the Mayor of Vancouver. In February of 1981 he became the 5th employee of Expo. George has just completed a successful term with Expo '86 as Vice-President, Corporate Communications and Marketing.

George comments that he can thank BCIT for getting his start in the communications industry. George notes that he was very lucky and experienced a lot of good breaks to get to where he is today. It was the BCIT diploma plus a lot of personal talent and skill that resulted in a nomination to recognize George Madden as a BCIT Achiever.

From the Health Technology Fields the association recognized the accomplishments of Ted Bowers, a 1969 graduate of Nuclear Medicine Technology. After several years of technical experience, Ted headed into the direct sales of supplies in the Nuclear Medicine field. He eventually

entered the highly-competitive area of hospital, medical and surgical supplies.

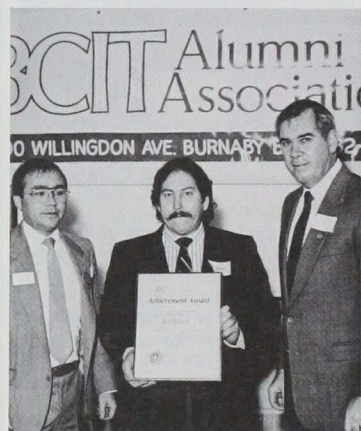
Ted Bowers has been highly successful with his firm Bowers Medical Supply Company. He is well respected by peers, customers and competitors alike. Ted was able to take his BCIT education and use it as a spring board for outstanding business achievement.

The third recipient, Dr. Basil Peters, is a graduate from Electrical Technology in 1975. Following his graduation from BCIT, Basil went on to achieve first place honours at UBC's School of Engineering. He carried on beyond his degree to research his thesis on High-frequency Telecommunications. After graduating with his PH.D. in May 1982

he and his partner Peter Van Der Graat began working for their company Nexus the very next day. The company's growth is largely attributed to innovative product design and long hours on the part of its staff. Asked why he wanted to start their own company Basil stated, "We had all sorts of ambitions and enthusiasm, and it's hard to express that in an established company. We wanted to try out our ideas on how people should work together."

Basil largely attributes his success and the success of his company to BCIT. Approximately two-thirds of Nexus Engineering staff are BCIT graduates.

The association plans to recognize Alumni Achievers throughout the province on an on-going basis. Nominations for the award may be made by all members of the BCIT community including students, instructors, support staff, administration and alumni. If you, or someone you know qualifies for this award please fill out a nomination form. Forms are available through the Alumni Office in Trailer 1D or call 432-8847.



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# Alumni News Update

The Alumni Office has a new home. We are located in Trailer 1D, still behind the Bank of Commerce. All Alumni operations including fund raising, reception, storage and work study projects are now housed in the same trailer. We hope our new arrangement will be more convenient for you when visiting the campus. The phone number is the same at (604) 432-8847.

## Willingdon Club

I'd like to remind all club members to be sure to advise the office of any address changes. New discounts and specials on merchandise and club activities are being added all the time. We need your correct address in order to update you on all the club benefits.

Two very special individuals have been made honorary members of the Willingdon Club. The first is **Mayor Bill Lewarne** of Burnaby. He has been an ongoing supporter of BCIT and its graduates. The second is **Dr. Peter Jones**. Since joining BCIT in 1984, Peter has worked effectively to build and strengthen the association. He also was largely responsible for initiating the Willingdon Club. (picture below)



Dr. Peter Jones receiving Honorary Willingdon Club membership from John Leech.

## 3700 Breakfast Club

Our breakfast seminars are off to a great start. So far the topics have been financial planning, project management and travel programs. There is no seminar scheduled for December due to the holidays. We will resume again in January.

Breakfast seminars are held the last Tuesday of the month at Discovery Park, 3700 Gilmore Way, Burnaby from 7:30 to 8:30 a.m. Also starting in the new year we will expand the series and offer seminars



Project Management expert, Jack Bibby talking to graduates at the 3700 Breakfast Club seminar.

at the Downtown Education Centre. For more information on the Burnaby or downtown seminars contact the Alumni Office.

## Familiar BCIT Faces Contest

Congratulations to Loren Boyle (Electrical & Electronics 1980) who is our contest winner. Several entries had correctly identified all nine faces so a draw was held to determine the winner. Loren won a Solid Gold Coupon book.

Correct answers are listed below:

1. Randy Vandermark
2. Roger Cradock
3. Ernie Iannacone
4. Jerry Lloyd (a.k.a. Eddie Haskell from Leave It To Beaver)
5. Evelyn Whiteside
6. Ken Kajiura
7. Dave Holmes
8. Mike Colman
9. Drug Svetic

Thanks to everyone who allowed us to print their pictures and who entered the contest.

1986 has been an exceptional year for the Alumni Association. I'm looking forward to an even more exciting year ahead. The Board of Directors and Alumni staff wish you a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

By Nicki Magnolo, Executive Director

## Medical Laboratory Task Force

The Medical Laboratory Technology training in B.C. is being restructured from a three year program to a two year program. The new program is intended to have one didactic year at BCIT or Cariboo College and one clinical year at an affiliated clinical facility.

A Task Force was formed to develop and recommend a new two year program. Membership included clinical affiliates, both didactic institutes and a BCIT alumnus who also represented BCSMT. The Ministry of Education provided the funding for the project. Final recommendations were submitted to the Ministries of Health and Education in March 1986.

Ongoing co-ordinated curriculum development and liaison among all provincial training institutions will be vital for the success of the new program. To ensure success, the Task Force recommended that an annual conference on curriculum content, development and other issues relevant to the MLT Education be held.

The first conference is scheduled for March 13 and 14, 1987 at BCIT. Everyone interested in MLT Training is invited to attend. There are no restrictions on registration.

Report by Lynn Webber

## Campus Centre Project Moves Ahead



Troy Nagy Project Director, John Leech Alumni President, Nicki Magnolo Alumni Executive Director and Grant Sidnick Student Association President proudly display the \$1000 alumni donation to the Campus Centre.

As you recall in the last issue of the Alumni News, there is a Student Driven Campus Centre Project on the drawing board. This centre will house the Alumni Association offices, Student Association offices, a Staff Social Club, The Bookstore, a large This 'N That Emporium, the S.A. Printshop, the Link Newspaper, a Student Social Club, meeting space for groups of up to 250, much needed lounging and study areas, an amphitheatre for guest speakers, and 4 or 5 independent business outlets.

This exciting new facility will be completely accessible to all Alumni Association Members.

One change since our last issue is, the Staff Society has opted not to put their offices in the new centre. This decision was purely financial, as they have such a good

arrangement with the Institute, they could not justify the added expense of moving into the new Centre. They do, however, support the project 100%.

In their place, Project Director Troy Nagy (C&S 85, Business Administration 86) is hoping to house a Womens Access Centre that would cater to the needs of female students and Alumni alike. Mr. Nagy feels that now BCIT is a Technical-Vocational Institute, women seeking training in non-traditional employment need a place where they can meet and discuss their problems and gather information that specifically cater to situations that women face in such areas of employment.

The Project Director also reports, there have been many exciting new developments  
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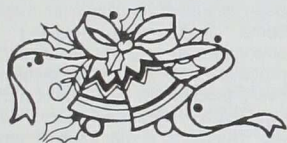


continued from page 2 *Campus Centre* ments have taken place since the last issue of the A.N. One being the Student Association has recently retained a Private Fund Raising Consultant in order to raise \$1 million from the private sector (yes, that does include Alumni). The consultants name is Ms. Nuala Woodham and she has done extensive fund raising work for the Vancouver Opera, Vancouver Symphony, the Arts, Science and Technology Centre, St. Paul and Vancouver General Hospital and various other groups. Mr. Nagy feels that Ms. Woodham is one of the top fund raisers in the province.

In order to get the campaign underway, the Alumni Association has shown leadership and donated \$1,000 to the building.

The recent provincial election slowed the political lobby for government funds somewhat, but recent indications from Victoria show they are looking very favourably at this project. Mr. Nagy states, "The Honourable Elwood Veitch, Provincial Secretary, has been a great help and supports the project 100%. Mr. Veitch is leading the lobby in Victoria as he understands the positive impact this centre will have, not only on past, present, and future BCIT students, but the institute as a whole. It's nice to have friends such as Mr. Veitch."

The Campus Centre project director is confident that now the funding drive and government lobby are underway, the project will gain momentum. Mr. Nagy feels an official ground breaking ceremony can take place as early as May 1, 1987. So stay tuned for future developments.



## Notice Board

### Reunions

#### Attention All Nursing Grads

There will be a Nursing Reunion for all graduating years at BCIT on Saturday, June 13, 1987. The reunion is being held as part of the 75th Anniversary celebrations for the Registered Nurses Association of B.C.

Anyone interested in volunteering and any class reps or secretaries from each year can contact Alice Bell (81) or Brenda Twyford (nee Tweed /70) through the Alumni Office at 432-8847. More information will be provided at a later date.

## Women's Access Consultant at BCIT

Following the merger with the Pacific Vocational Institute, BCIT regularized the position of Women's Advocate although the title has now been changed to the "Women's Access Consultant". The Women's Access Consultant promotes, supports and assists prospective and enrolled women students to access and participate in non-traditional trades, technician and technology training. "Non-traditional" training refers to any occupation where women currently hold fewer than 10 percent of available jobs.

The Women's Access Consultant identifies services and resources available at BCIT and in the community that support and enhance opportunities for women training and working in non-traditional occupations. Drop-in sessions and special events are held at BCIT where women students can network with other women training in trades and technologies.

The Women's Access Consultant also works in co-operation with government agencies and community groups to heighten the awareness and facilitate greater opportunities for women to enter non-traditional training and employment.

Brenda Pengelly is the Women's Access Consultant. Ms. Pengelly invites you to contact her within the Counselling Unit of the Student Services Department. Phone 432-8437.

### Obituary

David Johansen (Surveying 1966) passed away September 9, 1985 at the age of 45. David was the 1966 winner of the D.H. Bunnett Award for Surveying. The Alumni Association sends their sincere sympathies to David's wife Norma and all his loved ones.

### Hotel/Motel Class of /77 Reunion

Plan on attending a 10 year Reunion weekend in September of 1977. Details and registration forms will be mailed in early spring. For more information contact:

Reunion Co-ordinator - Suzi Peterson (nee Nitta), 11540 Pintail Drive, Richmond, B.C. V7E 4P5 Phone: (604) 274-7209.

### Okanagan Branch Alumni Reception

All grads in the Okanagan area are invited to attend. The purpose of the reception is to determine the interests of alumni in relation to forming an active alumni chapter. Confirmed date - February 1, 1987. Watch for mailing with further details. Snow Fest is on in Kelowna the same weekend so there will be lots happening.

Place - Four Seasons Racquet Club Lounge, 1574 Harvey Avenue, Kelowna, B.C.

## Big Brothers Seek Big Brothers Old and New

In 1987 Big Brothers celebrates its 30th anniversary in the Greater Vancouver area. The agency is approaching this important event with a look to the past and a long look at its future needs.

Big Brothers has played an important role in the Vancouver area by bringing together boys from father absent homes and men who are willing to be their role models. As part of its 1987 celebration, the agency wants to honor not only current Big Brothers but also past Big Brothers.

To this end the agency, currently in the midst of a major recruitment drive for new members, has formed an Alumni Committee to seek out former Big Brothers, as well as Little Brothers who are now adults.

Mark Powell, Chairman of the Alumni Committee, says there are 5,000 - 10,000 potential members for a Big Brothers Alumni Association. However, he added, since many of the Big and Little Brothers has long-since moved, it is extremely difficult to locate, let alone contact, them.

He is asking the BCIT Alumni Association and its members to assist Big Brothers of Greater Vancouver in locating as many former Big and Little Brothers as possible.

"I am quite certain that many of our former Big and Little Brothers are graduates of BCIT," Mr. Powell said. "And, if they're already members of the BCIT Alumni Association, they're that much more likely to be potential members of our association."

All former Big Brothers will be invited to take part in the celebrations planned for next spring.

Concurrent with the search for alumni, Big Brothers, which has about 350 pairs of matched Big and Little Brothers, is looking for more Big Brothers. The agency deliberately keeps its waiting list of boys looking for a Big Brother as short as possible to avoid unnecessary disappointments. However, as Mr. Powell points out, there are many boys waiting to go onto the waiting list. Before any of this can move forward there must be an increase in men willing to volunteer 4 - 6 hours a week of their time and to commit themselves for one year.

"If there are any BCIT Alumni who weren't Big Brothers, but who'd like to be, we'd be very happy to take their application," says Mr. Powell.

Former Big and Little Brothers, who are interested in the Alumni Association, should contact Joyce Louie at 434-1411. For anyone interested in becoming a Big Brother, regular information meetings are held in the Vancouver office. For further information about becoming a Big Brother contact Philip Rodgers at the number above. Mark Powell is a BCIT graduate from Financial Management in 1982.



## 15 Students Receive Regional Entrance Awards

On Monday, November 3, 1986, 15 first year students received Regional Entrance Awards at the 2nd Annual Alumni Fund Raising Celebration Breakfast held in their honour. The Honourable Russell Fraser, Minister of Post Secondary Education personally presented each student with a cheque for \$605.00 (first term tuition less the commitment fee).

Student winners were selected based on scholastic standing, community involvement and financial need by a special committee comprised of student, alumni and institute representatives. Over 120 students from all regions of the province applied for the awards. The awards were designed to encourage students from outside the lower mainland to attend BCIT and recognize the added financial burden of relocating.

The 1986 Regional Entrance Award Winners are:

Region	Name	Technology
Camosun	Barbara Pearce	Prothetics/Orthotics
Cariboo	Eric Larnder	Electrical/Electronics
Cariboo	Karilee Mann	Marketing Management
East Kootenay	Terry Nelson	Surveying
Fraser Valley	Christopher Pavluk	Biomedical Electronics
Malaspina	Lisa Webster	Medical Radiography
New Caledonia	Jacqueline Britten	Medical Radiography
New Caledonia	Nada Vukovic	Hospitality and Tourism
North Island	Wendy Carson	Hospitality and Tourism
Northern Lights	Henry Hachmeister	Electrical/Electronics
Northwest	Christy Jaycox	Administrative Management
Okanagan	Shendra Brisdon	Environmental Health
Okanagan	Tom McDougall	CAD/CAM
Selkirk	Julie Donaghy	Medical Radiography
Yukon	Brian McKamey	Surveying

The Alumni Fund Raising campaign started in 1984. They now have \$744,997.00 in alumni donations pledged to 1989 combined with \$225,000.00 matching funds from the Vancouver Foundation bringing the total value of the campaign to \$969,997.00 upon completion. Each year the interest earned on the fund is disbursed for student aid.

Svend Robinson, Federal MP for Burnaby Edmonds riding, Elwood Veitch, Provincial Secretary and Minister of Government Services, Malcolm Wickson, Chairman BCIT Board of Governors, Roy Murray, President BCIT, and Grant Sidnick, President BCIT Student Association were all on hand to help with the celebration. John Leech, President BCIT Alumni Association was master of ceremonies of the event which was co-sponsored by the Student Association and the administration.

Also on the program were five special presentations. Elwood Veitch received an honorary membership in the Alumni Association in recognition of his long standing support of BCIT and it's graduates. Malcolm Wickson presented Russ Fraser with a BCIT clock.

The celebration breakfast ended with the first ever presentation of Alumni Achievement Awards. The recipients are:

1. George Madden, Broadcast Communications - 1972  
category - Career Development
2. Ted Bowers, Nuclear Medicine - 1969  
category - Business Achievement
3. Dr. Basil Peters, Electrical - 1975  
category - Business Achievement

See page 1 for detailed write up on the Alumni Achievement Award winners.

All in all the breakfast was a huge success with BCIT shown at it's very best!

**Mr. John Leech**  
President, BCIT Alumni Association

Dear John:

A quick and short note to congratulate you for putting together such a good ceremony yesterday morning. It was impressive.

Please pass on to the Alumni Association Executive and members in general, if you will, how much I think of their commitment to education and how much I commend them for their willingness to participate in such a worthwhile project as scholarships for students. As I said, this country was not built by governments, it was built by people who took the time and made the effort to ensure that those following behind, who needed a little extra help, got it.

I was pleased to be a part of the ceremony and thank you for inviting me.

Sincerely,

Russel G. Fraser  
Minister

## Roy Murray BCIT President Answers Alumni Concerns

**Q** Graduates are concerned about the value of their diplomas and BCIT's reputation for providing high quality technological education. In recent years BCIT has lost some ground in this respect. What is BCIT doing, in both the short and long term, to rebuild its reputation?

**A** Two things. The development of a series of post diploma programs in high tech areas will focus on BCIT being responsible for helping to move the province of B.C. into the next century. The commencement of the BCIT Development Assistance Centre will help place us in a much better role to effect technology transfer to the workplace and in doing so will enhance BCIT's reputation with business and industry. I personally do not think that the amalgamation of trades and technology is in any way detrimental to the quality of the institute, but instead will strengthen. Just look across Canada and you will see that this is the norm rather than the exception.

**Q** Do you, or the institute, have any plans to reorganize the Advisory Committee system to make it more effective? If so, how could the alumni be of assistance?

**A** Firstly, I do not agree that Advisory Committees are not effective. In general, the Advisory Committees have been very effective. However, there are some that need revising and strengthening and this is an ongoing process. You should be aware that every program in trades and technology has a Program Advisory Committee. The policy is that each committee meets at least twice a year (once per term). This year alone there were 12 new trades Program Advisory Committees formed. There are approximately 92 committees with about 900 industry representatives. Many of these representatives are BCIT alumni. Advisory Committees function primarily at the department level and provide advice to the Department Head on educational issues.

In the terms of reference of the Advisory Committees, it is necessary that the membership be reviewed on an ongoing basis. It is also policy that there should be a student and at least one alumnus, with the balance coming from industry, and in no case should there be a majority of internal resource people, mainly faculty, on the Advisory Committee. The chairperson should be elected from the external group.

The Advisory Committees help us do task analysis to determine the curriculum, what equipment we should



purchase, etc. For each new program, we first establish an Ad Hoc Advisory Committee to help in the development of the proposal, and, when the program is approved, the Advisory Committee is then formalized.

In general, I think the Advisory Committees have been very effective. I believe they are listened to and provide us with input and guidance on all of our programs.

If the Alumni Association wants to be more active in the Advisory Committee system, I suggest that we could provide you with the list of all alumni on the Advisory Committees and seek your input as to those alumni who might be willing to serve on a committee as opportunities become available.

**Q** What areas would you like to see the Alumni Association become more involved in?

**A** Very pleased to see they are taking over responsibility for raising funds from alumni. I think in addition they should work with the institute to help us do more in the field of professional development and continuation of education for our grads. Hopefully we will be able to get the universities to agree on some special programs that would help both business grads and the engineering technologists.

**Q** After graduating from BCIT, most alumni continue their education on a part-time basis. They need programs that start where the day school programs left off. What does BCIT have to offer the post-diploma student in Continuing Education?

**A** Continuing Education is demand driven. One of the objectives we have always had is to provide the entry level training for people who cannot attend on a full-time basis. That is the bulk of the Continuing Education activity. With respect to the post-diploma level, we have an objective to respond to the demand for post diploma programming. The difficulty for the institute is to target the programs that are required by our graduates. We, as an institution, are quite prepared to respond to the demand but we need help in identifying where the demand is. Perhaps the alumni can provide a service in identifying the post-diploma needs and advise us on what it is that we should offer in Continuing Education in post-diploma programs.

In each of the schools, there is a fair degree of post-diploma activity. For example, in the School of Health Science Studies, there is a total program in Advanced Studies, there is an arrangement with the Open Learning Institute for our graduates to pursue a business degree. We also offer some post-diploma activities in the School of

Management Studies in the Continuing Education program. We are discussing, with the Society of Engineering Technologists and Technicians, needs for their members in upgrading and, with the Professional Engineers Association, our graduates who want to pursue a Professional Engineers status. Discussions are at preliminary stage with the Professional Engineers, but it is anticipated that some common ground will be found. As I mentioned earlier, we, as an institution, are prepared to respond and provide post-diploma opportunities for our graduates, but we need some help in identifying and targeting what programs to offer.

**Q** Is BCIT planning to become a degree granting institute? Why or why not?

**A** The answer is no we are not. We feel there is a role for an institute like ours in the province and in the country. We are much better off being a first class institute of technology than just another degree granting institution. We would rather see the universities develop some associate degrees with BCIT where the entrance to the university degree program is a diploma from our institute. It is the recognition we are looking for; whether they are called associate degrees, or not, is immaterial.

**Q** Is anything being done to improve the transfer credits situation between BCIT and other post secondary schools such as SFU?

**A** There is ongoing discussion with Simon Fraser as well as UBC, and existing arrangements with other Canadian and American universities are constantly being amended. However, BCIT is a two year institution. We are not a feeder to the universities. We don't want to change our programs to fit into the university transfer system the way the colleges do. The colleges have direct transfer programs to universities and act as feeders. Our program is a terminal two year program in general. We have been advised by industry, through our Advisory Committees, not to pursue the degree granting or water down or change our programs. We do, though, recognize the need to try to develop transfer arrangements with the universities in such a way as to minimize the material that students would repeat as they proceed from BCIT to a university. Our approach with the universities is that they should provide some bridging courses that allow BCIT students to upgrade in order to get full credit for what they have already completed, and then to enter into regular university stream. There are universities outside of B.C. which are receptive to that philosophy and have de-

veloped transfer arrangements with us. I believe that the B.C. universities are now interested in the same approach and, therefore, the ongoing discussions are more active now than in the past.

**Q** At one time BCIT students had little difficulty finding full time employment in their field of study upon graduation. In these tougher economic times this is no longer the case. Is BCIT concerned about job placement for graduates and what can the institute do to help the situation?

**A** BCIT's approach continues to be to train the number and quality of graduates that are required by industry. Placement of graduates is an important statistic from which we determine whether or not we need to expand or contract any given program. If the demand for graduates is not there, we are prepared to reduce our programs. On the other hand, if the demand exceeds supply, we seek approval and funding to expand or develop new programs. We must be very careful not to react to sporadic peaks and valleys in demand, but to make adjustments when the trend is established. We are conscious of the fact that in more difficult times we must market our graduates so that industry knows our product. I am sure you are also aware that the Canada Employment & Immigration Centre office on campus is designed to help students with job placements and advice. We believe this is an important activity on campus and support their existence.

**Q** HITRAC and the Electrical Program are two topics that frequently come up in discussions about BCIT. Can you tell us what is happening in these areas?

**A** HITRAC has undergone considerable change in its delivery from about a year ago. We are offering levels 1, 2 and 3, basically using the modular approach. For levels 4 and 5, we are using the lecture approach. We have, within the last month, assigned a Project Manager to work with the Steering Committee to implement further changes in the program delivery. At this point, I believe it is coming along very well. I think that the changes that have been made, and are being made, are now supported by the students and faculty. You may be aware that we are not offering the summer operation again this year, as was the case last year. The main reason is that the demand by students for the summer term is low, while the need for resources is high. We can't afford, without considerable funding increase, to run a year-round operation, and I believe that we will have to, in implementing changes to the program, take into account the fact that the summer term cannot be sustained.



# Regional Entrance Award Winners 1986



BARBARA PEARCE



ERIC LARNDER



ROBERT TERRANCE  
NELSON



KARILEE MANN



CHRISTOPHER PAULUK



LISA WEBSTER



Melanie Wheatling, Vice President BCIT Alumni Association explains the selection procedure for the Regional Entrance Awards.



NADA VUKOVIC



HENRY HACHMEISTER



WENDY CARSON



CHRISTY JAYCOX



SHENDRA BRISDON



BRIAN MCKAMEY



JACQUIE BRITTEN



# Grad Gossip

1985

**Braaksma**, Timothy John (Building) is employed as head estimator with Olivit Construction Ltd. He and wife Deanne Karie have bought a house and are expecting a baby due in January. According to Timothy, life is great!

**Bury**, Janet Kim (nee Hoffman) (Medical Laboratory) got married in October, 1985. She is working as a lab technologist at Vancouver General Hospital in haematology.

**Byrne**, Carolyn (nee Gabriel) (Forestry) just married classmate Patrick Byrne, also a 1985 Forestry grad. She is a forest technician with the Ministry of Forests and Patrick works in the forest industry too. They now live in Merritt, B.C.

**Doyle**, Kerry Patrick (Civil & Structural) lives in Kamloops, B.C. with wife Patty. He is a technical sales representative with Bauer Irrigation Ltd.

1984

**Green**, Jeff (Administrative Management) is Assistant to the General Manager with White Spot Restaurants. He has just become engaged to Janet McLaughlin. They are planning to wed in the fall of 1987.

1983

**Croome**, Stephanie (nee Krzyzawowski) (Marketing Management) wants her classmates to know that the days of struggling with her last name are over. She is now a very simple Mrs. Croome. Stephanie would like to hear from fellow advertising classmates in the near future. She is self-employed as an advertising/public relations consultant.

**Horlick**, Les William (Computer Information Systems and Hotel, Motel & Food Services 1973) and wife Mara Vogel are expecting their first child in December. Les has a new job as accounting supervisor with Devry Institute of Technology in Calgary. He is interested in hearing from fellow grads from both technologies who are living and working in Calgary.

**Reed**, Norm (Electrical & Electronics) and wife Holly just built a new home in Richmond, B.C. He is a communication technologist with Woodward Stores in New Westminster.

**Robertson**, Ian (Surveying) has a new job with the federal government as a survey assistant in Public Works Canada. He just received his A.Sc.T. designation.

1982

**Chiu**, Phillip David (Electrical & Electronics) went on to graduate from UBC in April 1986 with a Bachelors of Science in physics. After UBC he moved to Toronto where he is an electronics technologist with Multi-AMD Canada Ltd. He designs, prototypes and tests his own precision power measurement instruments.

**Douglas**, James (Broadcast) has recently become engaged to Jennifer Withers. He has also made a job change from master control to studio camera with CHBC

Television in Kelowna and says he is loving every minute of it!

**Fulker**, Alison Karen moved from Kelowna to Coquitlam, B.C. in August. She recently got engaged to Tom Kilmartin and they are planning to marry in July 1987.

**Osan**, Okpa Orim (Civil & Structural) is a higher technical officer with the Ministry of Works and Transport in Calabar, Cross River, Nigeria. He is in charge of erosion problems for the whole Cross River State. In addition to his regular job, Okpa has been appointed a councilman for the Obubra local government since July, 1986. Councillors are appointed to serve on a part-time basis throughout the country.

**Simpson**, Richard (Surveying) and wife Susan reside in Victoria, B.C. Richard is a photogrammetrist with the Pacific International Mapping Corp.

1981

**De Groot**, Theodore John (Nuclear Medicine) and wife Kelly (nee Lister, Nuclear Medicine 1981) have just bought their dream home after four years of travelling and working. Ted and Kelly are both working in nuclear medicine in Victoria.

**Joe**, Rhonda Ellen (Hospitality) is engaged to Ross Jackson (Building 1982). They plan to get married in the spring of 1987. She works as a fitness director at the Brentwood Racquetball Club.

1980

**Cassidy**, Ian (Mining) tells us that he has been continuously employed since graduating. His work as a geological technician with Newmont Exploration of Canada Ltd. has taken him to Ontario, Quebec, Yukon, North West Territories and throughout most of B.C.

**McKiligan**, John (Administrative Management) and wife Gail are the proud parents of twins, a boy, Adam and a girl Ashley, born August 1986. Since graduating John has sold real estate and is now franchised under Sussex Realty. He is involved in marketing new condominium complexes in Burnaby and New Westminster. Anyone looking for an apartment should call John at 984-9711.

1979

**Foyle**, Guy (Instrumentation) moved to Don Mills, Ontario where he is working for KWM Engineers Ltd. Due to the move Guy has stepped down from his position as Engineering Representative on the BCIT Alumni Association Board of Directors, where he is greatly missed. Recently he attended the Reno Air Races.

**Hlatky**, Michael Roy (Chemical & Metallurgy) was with Lornex and now is a crusher operator with Highland Valley Copper in Kamloops. He and wife Monica have just celebrated daughter Alison's first birthday. Michael would like to say a special hello to Pat, Arnie, Rennie, Rick and Bill and asks them to "have one for me."

**Schmulano**, Evan (Electrical & Electronics) works for CNCP Telecommunica-

tions as a microwave radio technician covering the area between Victoria and Hope, B.C. Soon Evan will be involved with a fiber optic system between Vancouver and Edmonton, Alberta. He and wife Heather welcomed their first child, Bryan Matthew, in June 1986.

1978

**Comfort**, Mark Stephen (Administrative Management) is a stock broker with Richardson Greenshields of Canada Limited. He has been with Richardsons's for one year.

**Hrechla**, Larry (Electrical & Electronics), wife Darlene and their three children have recently moved from Williams Lake to Fraser Lake, B.C. Larry has a new job as chief electrician with Endako Mines.

1977

**Sale**, David John (Financial Management) obtained his CGA designation in the spring. He is the tax and employee benefits manager with Core-Mark International Inc. He and wife Linda are living in Surrey, B.C.

1976

**Clow**, Gary (Administrative Management) and wife Sandra have moved from Rossland, B.C. to Mississauga, Ontario and in 18 months they will be going overseas with Worldteam Canada as evangelical christian missionaries. They had their first child, David, in March 1986. Gary says the baby is a healthy six month old who weighs a little over 18 pounds or 8¼ kilos depending on how your head works. He also would like to hear from fellow classmates, write care of Worldteam Canada, P.O. Box 2424 Streetsville, Mississauga, Ontario, L5M 2X3.

**Gillis**, Linda Elizabeth (Hotel, Motel & Food Services) has been transferred to Toronto. She is customer service manager with Postech Corporation, a division of Contech Group International.

**Miller**, Ian (Forestry) recently moved from MacKenzie to Campbell River, B.C. His fiancée, Colleen McKendry is a UBC Forestry graduate. They plan to marry December, 1986. He is a resource assistant in Silviculture with the B.C. Ministry of Forests. Ian received a degree in Forestry from UBC in 1984 and will become a Registered Professional Forester this year.

1975

**Davis**, C. Scott (Operations Management). In July, 1986 Scott left Flyer Industries Ltd. where he was a senior planner and joined Vita Health Co. Ltd. as a buyer. He married Nancy Wilde three years ago and they welcomed their first child, Matthew, in August, 1986.

**De Jager**, Dirk (Broadcast) and wife Diane reside in Burnaby, B.C. Dirk is president of Speciality Video Productions Ltd.

**Hamilton**, Murray (Hotel, Motel & Food Services) was formerly the manager of the Westerly in Courtenay. He and his family have relocated in Parksville, B.C. where he is general manager of the Bayside Inn. He



is also president of the board for the Tourism Association of Vancouver Island.

#### 1974

**Carruthers, Evelyn** (nee Nylander) (Nursing) is moving from Pocolodan to Fredericton, New Brunswick due to her husband, Martyn's work with the Department of Health. She will continue working in casual nursing at Dr. Everett Chalmers Hospital while pursuing a new career in interior decorating. Evelyn and Martyn have one child, two years old.

**Reid, Michael James** (Forest Resources) makes his home in Victoria, B.C. He is a merchandise clerk with the B.C. Liquor Distribution Branch.

#### 1973

**Barsalou, Gary** (Electrical & Electronics) married Jan-Marie in June, 1986 and they are now living in Victoria, B.C. He works as a design technician with the Ministry of International Trade, Science and Investment.

**De Best, Robert** (Administrative Management) says after seven years as a Radio Shack joint venture manager he changed careers in 1983 and joined Pemberton Houston Willowguby as a stock broker. Rob lives in Burnaby, B.C. with wife Sandra and their two children Christina, age four and Stephanie, 22 months. He looks forward to hearing from any BCIT grads!

#### 1972

**Delany, Allan Lloyd** (Forestry) has been a forest technician with the Greater Vancouver Water District since 1980. Prior to that he was with the B.C. Forest Service in Pemberton, Vancouver, Campbell River and Port Moody. Lloyd married Sharon in 1977. They live in Delta with their five year old twins, Brian and Colleen.

#### 1971

**McInnes, Brent** (Administrative Management) and wife Debby are living in New Westminster with their two boys, Bryan age 4 and Greg age 1½. Brent is manager of human resources with Canadian Northern Shield Insurance Company. He says the Alumni News, especially the Grad Gossip, brings back a lot of good memories of his student days. He'd like to see more information from the late 60's and early 70's grads. Brent asks, "Doug Meredith - Financial Management 71, where are you?"

#### 1970

**Klassen, Walter** (Mining) moved from Hinton to an acreage north of Stettler, Alberta. He is assistant mine manager with Luscar Ltd., where he was transferred within the organization. Walter lives in Stettler with his wife, Rita.

**Molloy, Tim** (Forestry) is a crewman IV with MacMillan Bloedel. Tim says he's had the same employer, same community and same wife, Brenda, since 1970 and is financially secure. He is interested in contacting fellow forestry grads.

**Rumsey, Ken** (Broadcast) has just completed his Masters of Education at S.F.U. where he specialized in "Computers in Education". He is the audio-visual co-ordinator at Malaspina College in Nanaimo where he lives with his wife, Beverly.

#### 1969

**Buck, Ross** (Administrative Management) married Donna in August, 1986. They had a great honeymoon in Fiji and Hawaii and have just moved into a new home in North Vancouver. Ross is self employed.

#### 1968

**Norris, William** (Business Administration) has just been transferred to Toronto, Ontario by his employer, Sears (Canada) Inc. He is assistant manager in headquarters merchandise control office which controls the inventory system for all Sears retail stores Canada. Bill and wife Carolyn are living in Oakville, just outside of Toronto.

#### 1967

**Hart, Kenneth** (Forestry) spent many years with Pacific Forest Products Ltd., Cowichan Division, as supervisor forestry and engineering. In 1985 Pacific and Tahsis Co. joined to form CIP Inc. Ken is now Industrial Relations Supervisor for CIP Inc., Tahsis Pacific Region in Duncan, B.C., where he lives with wife, Eldy. As Ken says "Who knows what a forestry diploma can lead to!!?"

**Scammell, Peter Stephen** (Food Processing) makes his home in Cornwall, Ontario. He is now an air traffic control instructor with Transport Canada.

#### 1966

**Rehlinger, Nick** (Mechanical) suffered a heart attack last spring forcing him to cut back his business. He is self employed, involved in manufacturing new parts for auto propane conversions and satellite receivers. Nick and wife Linda are living in Qualicum Beach, B.C. Hope Nick's health and business have fully reconnected!

**Spilsbury, R.W.** (Electrical & Electronics) has moved from Coquitlam to Burnaby, B.C. and currently employed at Simon Fraser University.

**Tribe, J.D.** (Electrical & Electronics) writes from the Yemen Arab Republic where he's employed by the Yemen Hunt Oil Company. He says all is as well as can be expected in the YAR.

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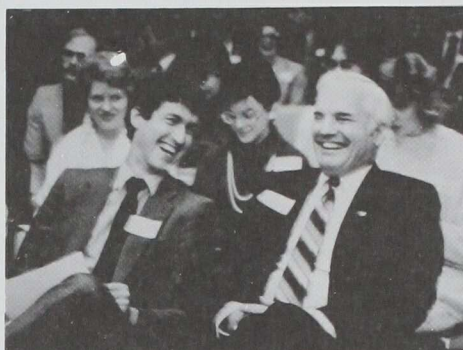
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Left: The BCIT Alumni Association Board of Directors with special guests at the Celebration Breakfast.

Right: Svend Robinson, MP and the Honourable Russell Fraser share a lighter moment during the festivities.



Left: Russell Fraser, Minister of Post Secondary Education receives gift from Malcolm Wickson, Chairman of the BCIT Board of Governors.

Right: Elwood Veitch becomes Honorary member of the BCIT Alumni Association.



## 1986 is "Simply Delicious"

As the graduating Advertising & Sales Promotions class marched on to the stage of the Queen Elizabeth Theatre in June of '83, we had no idea that a budding author was in our midst.

**Beverly Atkinson**, who left a career in advertising in the Spring of 1985 to join the ranks of the self employed, deserves a standing ovation for her role as writer, publisher and marketer. Her cookbook, *Simply Delicious*, is now a 1986 Canadian Bestseller. (To date she has sold in excess of 10,000 copies.)

Attracted by the autonomy of becoming an entrepreneur, the former BCIT graduate truly put her abilities to work. The idea, an inexpensive book of **tested** recipes (and I stress tested as it is one of the major factors of her success) that were simple to make and used common ingredients, was not an over-night brainstorm. Bev spent months researching other possibilities. They ranged anywhere from retailing gourmet cookies to grocery-cart advertising. Funny enough, they all steamed from one of her greatest pleasures in life - her love for delicious food.

Throughout the better part of 1985 Bev collected and tested "No-Fail" recipes that

produced popular foods. Spurred on by sheer determination, she methodically organized the formatting, the photography and finally, negotiated the actual printing of the first 5,000 copies just in time for Christmas. By choosing to market direct to the consumer through office selling, she was able to see immediate results and develop a track record in sales volume.

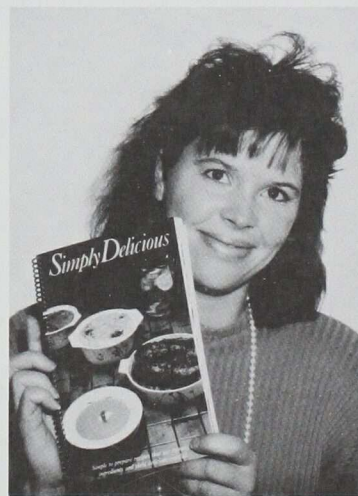
It wasn't long before the larger publishing companies began to take an interest in her book. Today, Bev has three channels of distribution: a direct marketing network, the **BCIT Alumni Association**, and Whitecap Books (retail distribution.)

Bev is now working part-time to supplement her income as she heads into the research stage of the second edition. When asked what she attributes to her success both past and future, Bev replied, "I truly believe that I hit a growth market with the right product. Response to "Simply Delicious" has been so enthusiastic that with increased distribution and promotion in 1987, I feel that I will easily see a sizable return on my initial investment."

So, for those of you busy BCIT grads who would "rather spend more time eating than cooking" or are looking for that ideal Christmas gift, Bev Atkinson's cookbook

will make your 1986 "Simply Delicious." Books are available through the Alumni office.

*By Stephanie Croome (nee Krzyzanowski)  
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